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SUBJECT: GOVERNMENT ACTION TO REDUCE DOMESTIC PRICE OF
IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS IN VENEZUELA

1. STANLEY COHLMeyer, PRESIDENT OF ORINOCO MINING
COMPANY, INFORMS ME THAT ON JANUARY 21 A DECISION WAS
REACHED, PRESUMABLY BY THE MINISTER OF MINES, ARTIFICALLY
TO LOWER THE PRICE OF IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS FOR DOMESTIC
SALE IN VENEZUELA. HE SAYS THAT IN CASE OF HIS NEW
BRIQUETTING PLANT, DOMESTIC PRICE HAS ARBITRARILY BEEN
FIXED AT \$30 A TON, ALTHOUGH ON WORLD MARKET THIS
COMMODITY WOULD BRING \$45 A TON. VENEZUELAN
DECLARED PRICE, SAYS COHLMeyer, IS WELL BELOW COST
OF PRODUCTION AND MOST HIS COMPANY CAN HOPE BY WAY
OF MITIGATION IS TO ASK FOR TAX RELIEF UP TO 60 PER
CENT OF ITS LOSSES.
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